

**PARISH OF JEFFERSON,
STATE OF LOUISIANA
CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA**

Population of the Parish

The population growth trend of the Parish of Jefferson is as follows:

YEAR	PARISH POPULATION	STATE POPULATION
1950	103,873	2,683,516
1960	208,769	3,257,022
1970	338,229	3,644,637
1980	454,592	4,205,900
1990	448,306	4,219,973
1991	451,543	4,251,560
1992	456,389	4,287,195
1993	457,069	4,295,477
1994	457,481	4,315,085
1995	458,456	4,339,352
1996	455,741	4,350,579
1997	453,160	4,351,769
1998	453,165	4,368,967

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

Population of Municipalities

The population growth trends of the municipalities in the Parish of Jefferson are as follows:

YEAR	GRAND ISLE	GRETNA	HARAHAN	JEAN LAFITTE	KENNER	WESTWEGO
1960	2,074	21,967	9,275		17,037	9,815
1970	2,236	24,875	13,037		29,858	11,402
1980	1,982	20,615	11,384	936	66,382	12,663
1990	1,455	17,208	9,927	1,469	72,033	11,218
1991	1,455	17,407	9,998	1,469	72,251	11,264
1992	1,455	17,384	9,991	1,502	72,212	11,265
1993	1,455	17,274	10,052	1,519	72,700	11,254
1994	1,455	17,274	10,094	1,556	73,002	11,297
1995	1,477	17,535	10,311	1,603	73,242	11,321
1996	1,531	17,535	10,327	1,603	73,825	11,279
1997	1,550	17,802	10,434	1,603	73,876	11,291
1998	1,564	17,522	10,480	1,683	73,508	11,301

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Personal Income

The Bureau of Economic Analysis of the US Department of Commerce publishes personal income data. The most recent revised per capita income figures for the Parish, Louisiana and the United States are as follows:

YEAR	PARISH	LOUISIANA	UNITED STATES
1990	\$17,011	\$14,281	\$18,666
1991	\$17,628	\$15,079	\$19,201
1992	\$18,189	\$15,817	\$20,137
1993	\$19,853	\$17,133	\$21,220
1994	\$20,977	\$18,086	\$22,056
1995	\$21,975	\$18,826	\$23,059
1996	\$22,719	\$19,609	\$24,164
1997	\$23,850	\$20,458	\$25,288

Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, October, 1998.

Retail Sales

According to the *Survey of Buying Power*, estimated retail sales by category in Jefferson Parish were as follows:

(In Thousands)

Year	Total Retail Sales	Food	Eat/Drink	Gen Mdse	Furn/Appl	Auto
1991	\$4,504,889	\$957,001	\$436,866	\$585,392	\$272,608	\$1,028,034
1992	\$4,723,372	\$881,386	\$451,946	\$644,712	\$363,133	\$1,058,550
1993	\$4,786,535	\$795,987	\$450,350	\$673,585	\$361,058	\$1,159,619
1994	\$5,537,055	\$925,441	\$529,315	\$726,600	\$330,972	\$1,595,436
1995	\$5,830,086	\$936,306	\$599,945	\$738,795	\$363,692	\$1,718,692
1996	\$5,764,825	\$939,978	\$576,690	\$747,104	\$349,619	\$1,734,429
1997	\$5,914,718	\$838,993	\$616,812	\$793,334	\$358,702	\$1,757,214

(Note: The retail sales statistics in the 1995 edition of the *Survey of Buying Power*, which lists data for 1994, are based on newly published benchmark data from the 1992 Census of Retail Trade (CRT). Prior to this year, retail figures reported in the Survey were based on data from the 1987 Census [unlike the general Census, the CRT is conducted in five year intervals]. Whenever such an adjustment is made, trends in lines that fall across benchmark year are often skewed, a fact readers should keep in mind when comparing retail sales figures for 1994 and thereafter to those from prior years.

Source: Sales and Marketing Management, Survey of Buying Power, August, 1998.

SALES TAXES

Sales Taxes Levied in the Parish

The following is a summary, by area, of sales and use tax rates levied within the Parish of Jefferson as of 12/31/98.

Entity/Area	Parish-Wide Tax	Municipal Tax	Total Local Tax	State Tax	Total Sales Tax
JEFFERSON PARISH	4.75		4.75	4	8.75

Source: Louisiana Department of Revenue and Taxation, Sales Tax Division, January, 1999.

Taxable Sales

Sales and use taxes are levied by various entities at various rates throughout the Parish. The following figures represent the tax base of a broad-based sales and use tax levied on a parishwide basis.

<i>(In Thousands)</i>					
Month	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
January	\$408,583	\$424,523	\$475,992	\$450,499	\$481,940
February	\$500,472	\$562,422	\$584,826	\$609,609	\$651,916
March	\$380,810	\$378,857	\$431,479	\$434,987	\$397,201
April	\$390,052	\$391,198	\$452,159	\$405,666	\$483,820
May	\$457,669	\$454,777	\$489,476	\$470,718	\$497,666
June	\$408,732	\$440,482	\$477,490	\$462,410	\$502,765
July	\$428,130	\$449,366	\$497,543	\$458,507	\$493,254
August	\$431,818	\$541,720	\$500,833	\$503,136	\$529,296
September	\$426,094	\$467,206	\$450,795	\$464,581	\$486,594
October	\$428,043	\$482,447	\$461,011	\$471,316	\$493,725
November	\$417,536	\$478,084	\$448,839	\$458,383	\$445,058
December	\$419,984	\$440,440	\$435,812	\$476,113	\$490,482
Annual Total	\$5,097,924	\$5,511,524	\$5,706,256	\$5,665,926	\$5,953,717

Source: Oakland Econometrics.

PROPERTY TAXES

Assessed Valuation of the Parish

The recent trend in the assessed valuation of property throughout the Parish of Jefferson is as follows:

Year	Taxable Assessed Valuation	Homestead Exemptions	Total Assessed Valuation
1990	\$1,228,896,517	\$634,148,992	\$1,863,045,509
1991	\$1,226,436,556	\$637,170,252	\$1,863,606,808
1992	\$1,242,928,535	\$642,492,250	\$1,885,420,785
1993	\$1,234,510,422	\$648,005,120	\$1,882,515,542
1994	\$1,260,325,583	\$655,930,820	\$1,916,256,403
1995	\$1,321,602,003	\$653,914,820	\$1,975,516,823
1996	\$1,457,258,476	\$700,028,120	\$2,157,286,596
1997	\$1,511,978,959	\$704,683,990	\$2,216,662,949
1998	\$1,561,184,330	\$709,415,760	\$2,270,600,090

Source: Jefferson Parish Assessor's Office.

A breakdown of the assessed valuation of the Parish by classification of property is as follows:

Year	Real Estate	Personal Property	Public Service
1990	\$1,423,954,617	\$294,811,862	\$144,279,030
1991	\$1,412,248,675	\$301,124,693	\$150,233,440
1992	\$1,428,708,532	\$308,880,403	\$147,831,850
1993	\$1,418,429,305	\$313,132,547	\$150,953,690
1994	\$1,421,204,277	\$345,029,686	\$150,022,440
1995	\$1,440,022,891	\$387,298,012	\$148,195,920
1996	\$1,564,855,075	\$438,154,011	\$154,277,510
1997	\$1,595,029,436	\$471,027,263	\$150,606,250
1998	\$1,630,421,496	\$493,452,914	\$146,725,680

Millage Rates

The recent trend in the aggregate ad valorem tax rates (in mills) levied on a parishwide basis by various entities within the boundaries of the Parish of Jefferson follows:

Year	Millage
1990	39.89
1991	41.35
1992	42.77
1993	43.12
1994	41.84
1995	42.70
1996	39.50
1997	40.21
1998	42.73

Sources: Louisiana Tax Commission and Jefferson Parish Assessor's Office.

Leading Taxpayers

The ten largest property taxpayers of the Parish of Jefferson in 1998 and their assessed valuation are as follows:

TAXPAYER	ASSESSED VALUATION
1. ENTERGY SERVICES INC.	\$56,779,175
2. BELL SOUTH	\$45,148,750
3. HIBERNIA NATIONAL BANK	\$15,254,271
4. AVONDALE SHIPYARDS INC.	\$14,091,967
5. LOUISIANA GAS SERVICE CO.	\$12,778,280
6. FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	\$12,628,805
7. LAKESIDE SHOPPING CENTER	\$11,389,400
8. WHITNEY NATIONAL BANK	\$10,440,067
9. LOUISIANA CGSA INC.	\$8,320,888
10. SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.	\$7,442,820

Source: Jefferson Parish Assessor's Office.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The recent trends in public school registration, average daily membership and average daily attendance in the Jefferson Parish school system are as follows:

REGISTRATION	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	53,007	51,324	50,321	49,071
AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP	57,047	54,900	53,763	52,720
PUBLIC	54,509	55,471	54,902	54,414

"Average Daily Attendance" reflects the average daily attendance of member public school students during the session. "Average Daily Membership" reflects the average daily count of public school students registered during the session. "Public" reflects the count of public school students registered on the first day of the school year, including pre-kindergarten.

Expenditures

Expenditure trends for the Jefferson Parish School Board are as follows:

EXPENDITURES	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
MEAN TEACHER SALARY	\$28,651	\$29,315	\$30,302	\$28,104
CURRENT EXPEN PER STUDENT	\$4,870	\$5,135	\$5,524	\$5,643
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$7,675,730	\$9,552,423	\$11,498,930	\$57,963,607
DEBT SERVICE	\$92,937,223	\$24,380,269	\$27,862,627	\$27,524,136
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$277,840,804	\$282,475,629	\$284,039,845	\$304,871,741

Source: Louisiana Department of Education.